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Dear Sir:

This application is a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/481,611 filed January 12, 2000 and entitled, "Endodontic Obturator with Removable Carrier and Method of Use Thereof". A Notice of Allowance was issued in Patent Application No. 09/481,611 on July 16, 2001.

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